

## Other Public Safety Activities

Organization: 270050

	2007/08 Actual	2008/09 Current	2009/10 Requested	2009/10 Approved	Percent Change
<b>Revenues</b>					
State	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0%
General Fund	139,148	335,306	189,705	189,705	-43%
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$139,148</b>	<b>\$335,306</b>	<b>\$189,705</b>	<b>\$189,705</b>	<b>-43%</b>
<b>Expenses</b>					
Civil Air Patrol	\$405	\$405	\$405	\$405	0%
Conflict Resolution Center	15,000	15,000	15,000	15,000	0%
Court Improvement Board	0	0	33,500	33,500	100%
Hickory/St. Stephens Start-up Costs	0	179,601	0	0	-100%
Lake Norman Marine Commission	29,083	25,000	25,500	25,500	2%
Pretrial Services	87,160	107,800	107,800	107,800	0%
Repay, Sentencing Service Program	7,500	7,500	7,500	7,500	0%
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$139,148</b>	<b>\$335,306</b>	<b>\$189,705</b>	<b>\$189,705</b>	<b>-43%</b>

### Budget Highlights

The Repay Sentencing Service Program provides sentencing information to the presiding superior court judge to assist in evaluating whether community based placement is appropriate for the offender. Offenders then receive assistance for problems that contribute to the reoccurrence of crime and are returned to gainful employment. Repay also provides Pretrial Services to inmates in the Catawba County Detention Center and the Burke Catawba District Confinement Facility designed to control population numbers by expediting cases through the district and superior courts.

The Conflict Resolution Center was established in 1997 and is a non-profit organization with a volunteer base whose mission is to promote and bring about the peaceful settlement of disputes and prevent the escalation of conflict through mediation.

Lake Norman Marine Commission is funded equally by the four counties (Catawba, Lincoln, Iredell, and Mecklenburg) bordering Lake Norman. Their objective is the safety and recreation on the lake. The budget continues the current level of funding to maintain the navigational system on the lake, to control the Hydrilla exotic weed growth through continued introduction of sterile grass carp, promoting safe boating, and maintaining water quality on the lake.

The budget includes up to \$33,500 to support the efforts of the Court Improvement Board (CIB) composed of the two Superior Court Judges, the Chief District Court Judge, District Attorney, Sheriff, Clerk of Court, County Manager and County Attorney. These funds will be used to contract with Repay to provide justice system coordination services to consist of assisting the various entities operating within the court system with planning, organizing, and coordinating issues identified in the Justice System Review Report conducted by Tech Solve and accepted by the Board of Commissioners on October 6, 2008. Tech Solve identified numerous inefficiencies in the system that inhibit the judicial process and inefficiently utilize available resources.